



Arrangements with other local authorities and organisations and council/staff subscriptions to other bodies as per standing orders

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Report by: Clerk

Report to: Full Council 26-05

2026/27

i. **Arrangements (including legal agreements) with other local authorities, not for profit bodies, and businesses (Standing Order 5vi)**

Body	Information
WLDC	SLA: Devolved litter picking and bin emptying. The parish council runs the devolved service. Currently in the region of £6,600pa. SLA currently in place until 31 March 2027. Can be renewed for a further three years upon mutual agreement. Council to review when up for renewal 2027.
LCC	Agreement: Highways grass cutting. The council cuts the verges on behalf of LCC in the parish. The contribution rate for 2026-27 from LCC is £5,940 based on a total area of 27,265m ² . Annual agreement issued February/March. SLA: Community Hub (Library). The council runs the community hub library on behalf of LCC. The contribution rate for 2026-27 from LCC is £5,167pa. Annual agreement issued in April.

ii. **Representation on, or work with, external bodies and arrangements for reporting back (Standing Order 5vii)**

Body	Information
SLCC	The clerk(s) are members of the SLCC Lincolnshire Branch. Relevant updates shared with councillors and council via email/agenda items

The above have been factored into this year's budgets.



iii. Council and/or staff subscriptions to other bodies (Standing Orders 5xi):

The council has the following memberships:

Body	Annual Renewal	Current Cost (ex VAT)	Benefits
LALC - Annual membership	April	£939	Membership of County Association of Local Councils (part of National Association); access to advice/information; network of other local councils; newsletters. Membership fee is based on size of electorate.
LALC - Annual Training Scheme	April	£185	Allows Councillor/staff attendance at LALC core training sessions (plus small charge for lunch/refreshments on full day physical courses); enables networking with other councils/Clerks. Non-core courses attract an additional charge.
ICCM (Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management)	May	£105	Access to knowledge, technical and legal advice, discounted training; ICCM Journal; newsletters; best practice guidance, branch meetings; Access to the only accredited qualifications specifically designed for cemetery staff (2025 amount, 2026 invoice to be issued)

The council currently funds the following staff professional memberships:

Body	Annual Renewal	Cost	Benefits
SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) membership - Clerk	July	£300	Professional body for Clerks; access to advice and information; bi-monthly 'The Clerk' magazine; access to training; discount voucher on training, template policies and procedures
SLCC membership – Assistant Clerk	February	£200	As above.
Grounds Management Association - Grounds Manager	March	£95	Professional body for Grounds staff; access to advice and information; newsletters; discount on training.

As per the Training & Development Policy¹, council has agreed its commitment to membership of LALC and SLCC and has agreed to maintain professional membership for staff as appropriate to their role.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

To note the annual review of:

- i. Arrangements (including legal agreements) with other local authorities, not for profit bodies, and businesses (Standing Order 5vi)**
- ii. Representation on, or work with, external bodies and arrangements for reporting back (Standing Order 5vii)**
- iii. Council and/or staff subscriptions to other bodies (Standing Orders 5xi).**

¹ Saxilby Parish Council Training & Development Policy